

March 3, 2025

Dear Seventh Graders and Families,

We are excited to begin the process of planning your 8<sup>th</sup> grade program, and will soon be reviewing course options with students during the school day. Eighth grade provides for a continuation of the academic programs from 7<sup>th</sup> grade and the introduction of new elective courses for students whose schedule allows.

Students in grade 8 have course options in Math, Science, as well as their elective program. Choices for math include **Regents Algebra I or Math 8**. Choices for science include **Regents Earth and Space Sciences or Science 8**.

Any student needing academic support will be scheduled appropriately, however, should there be room in a student's schedule, they may also choose to take either **Introduction to Research Methods** or the "**21st Century CTE**" elective course. Descriptions of all courses may be found on our school webpage in the [Syosset Middle Schools Curriculum Guide](#).

The curriculum guide and **Steps for Selecting 8th Grade Courses** will assist you in learning about the course offerings and making your selections in the [Campus Portal](#). Please read these materials carefully and enter your selections by **March 14, 2025 at 12:00 PM**.

Should you have any questions at all about your child's 8th grade program, please don't hesitate to contact their guidance counselor.

Sincerely,

Michelle L. Burget  
Principal, South Woods MS